

February 3, 2025

RE: TOWN OF LIMA PUBLIC WATER PUBLIC HEARING

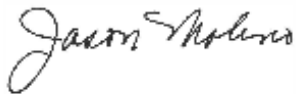
Dear Resident, Business, or Property Owner:

As you may know, the Town Board of the Town of Lima, after enlisting the assistance of the Livingston County Water and Sewer Authority (Authority) and the Town Engineer, is considering the creation of the Town of Lima Water District No. 5. You are receiving this letter because your property is located within the proposed Water District.

The Town Board approved a Map, Plan, and Report (MPR) which includes a map of the proposed water district, the number of equivalent dwelling units (EDU), and estimated costs for the project. The MPR was submitted to the Town Board December 3rd and, after holding a work session on January 6th, the MPR was accepted by the Town Board. If you would like to view the MPR, it can be found at: <https://lcwsa.us/community-engagement/>.

Residents are encouraged to review the information available online and attend the public hearing regarding the proposed Water District. **The Town Board will hear comments at the Regular Board meeting, February 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lima Town Hall at 7329 East Main Street, Lima, New York.** The public hearing notice is available at <https://www.lima-ny.org/> and some frequently asked questions regarding the proposed Water District are available on the back of this letter.

Sincerely,



Jason Molino
Executive Director

Frequently Asked Questions

1. If the proposed District moves forward, will we be required to connect to the public water? **Connection to the public water is optional and you will only pay for water usage if you connect.**
2. Will the annual debt service be charged regardless of hookup? **Yes, eligible property owners within the District will be required to pay the debt if they hookup or not. The estimated yearly debt cost per unit is \$665.73.**
3. What are the anticipated water pressures? **The pressure will be between 45 and 95 psi, depending on the elevation of your home or business.**
4. Can I keep my private well? **You can keep your well, however this will require you to install a backflow prevention device, or separate plumbing if you connect to public water.**
5. Will fire protection be provided and if yes, will my homeowners insurance cost go down? **Yes, fire hydrants will be located every 600 to 700 feet if the public chooses a scenario with fire protection. Insurance companies typically do offer discounts, but the actual amount will vary.**
6. Will vacant parcels be required to pay debt service? **Only vacant parcels that can be developed, meaning the lot is sized appropriately per zoning or it is located outside of a NYS Certified Ag-District, will be charged a percentage (50%) of the debt service.**
7. What is the estimated cost per unit for public water? **The estimated yearly costs for public water per unit is \$1,076. This includes \$665.73 in debt charges and \$410.00 for water usage.**
8. Will I have water if my residence experiences a power outage? **Yes, the public water system is a gravity fed system that is supported by water towers and pump stations. All pump stations that pump water have a stand-by power source (generators) for periods of power outages.**
9. If I am a Town resident, but a Village water customer, will I stay a Village water customer? **Yes, any Town resident that is a Village of Lima water customer will continue to be a Village water customer. In addition, the proposed water district includes the replacement of old water main on the east and west ends of the Village that will better serve both Village and Town water customers.**